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SETTING UP OF FODDER BANK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide assistance to set up fodder banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any such fodder bank has been or proposed to be set up in Kerala;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India provides assistance to the States for establishment of fodderbank on funding pattern of 75%:25% (Central:State) as one time grant to the extent of Rs. 55.00 lakhs for one fodder bank.

(c) to (e) State Government of Kerala was granted an amount of Rs.38.85 iakhs during1998-99 for establishment of one fodder bank in Kerala. The State has spent Rs.19.05 lakhs. The fund utilization certificate for remaining amount i.e. Rs.19.80 lakhs is still awaited.